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1. AMBASSADOR JULIO EGO-AGUIRRE ALVAREZ, SECRETARY GENERAL (VICE MINISTER) OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, WHO LED THE PERUVIAN DELEGATION TO THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN BELGRADE, DISCUSSED THE MEETING WITH THE PRESS UPON HIS RETURN TO/LIMA. AT SEVERAL POINTS HE REFERRED INDIRECTLY TO THE SOVIET/CUBAN QUESTION AT THE NAM CONFERENCE. EGO-AGUIRRE NOTED FOR INSTANCE THAT THE CONFERENCE SERVED "TO CONSOLIDATE THE UNITY AND SOLIDARITY OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES" BUT HAD TO "OVERCOME CIRCUMSTANCES AND DISAGREEMENTS" IN SO DOING. HE SAID, TOO, THAT THE BASIC PERUVIAN POSITION WAS IN KEEPING WITH THAT OF MARSHAL TITO, INCLUDING DEFENSE OF THE AUTONOMY OF THE MOVEMENT, AND ITS INDEPENDENCE FROM ALL "POWER BLOCKS". PERU OPPOSES FOREIGN DOMINATION OF THE MOVEMENT, NO MATTER WHAT ITS SOURCE, AND RECOGNIZES THE NEED TO REJECT EXTERNAL PRESSURES AND TO OVERCOME THE DANGER OF DIVISION AND DEVIATION WITHIN THE NAM. EGO-AGUIRRE NONETHELESS CONCLUDED THAT THE NAM REMAINED SIGNIFICANT TO LATIN AMERICA AND THAT "THE DECISION TO HOLD THE NEXT NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT MEETING IN OUR REGION, IN HAVANA, IN SPITE OF THE

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GREAT DISAGREEMENTS REGISTERED DURING THE (BELGRADE)DEBATES, IS IMPORTANT".

2. EGO-AGUIRRE ALSO STRESSED TWO PERUVIAN XINITIATIVES WHICH WERE INCORPORATED IN THE NAM'S FINAL DECLARATION. ONE WAS A REFERENCE TO LAST JUNE'S DECLARATION IN WASHINGTON REAFFIRMING THE 1974 DECLARATION OF AYACUCHO ON ARMS LIMITATION IN

LATIN AMERICA. THE SECOND, A SWIPE AT THE IMF, NOTED THAT CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS WERE IMPOSING AT, A HIGH SOCIAL COST, ACTIONS AND PRIORITIES INCOMPATIBLE WITH NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS.

3. COMMENT: THERE HAS BEEN FAIRLY EXTENSIVE EDITORIAL COMMENT IN THE GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED PRESS ON THE BELGRADE MEETING (REFTELS). MOST HAS FOCUSED ON THE NAM'S CONTINUED INDEPENDENCE IN RELATION TO THE POWER BLOCKS. HOWEVER, LA PRENSA COMMENTED THAT THE MEETING WAS ONE OF THE MOST DIFFICULT SINCE THE MOVEMENT BEGAN BECAUSE OF DISCUSSIONS CENTERING ON FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN MEMBER COUNTRIES. THIS EDITORIAL ALSO PRAISED THE OAU FOR REJECTING ANY TYPE OF FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION. SHLAUDEMAM

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